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CANADA MIGRATORY BIRDS REGULATIONS



YUKON TERRITORY

Abstract

When hunting or transporting migratory game birds, you must have on your person a valid Canada migratory game bird hunting permit in addition to any required territorial hunting licence.

The permit is available at post offices for \$3.50.

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Regulations for hunters of migratory game birds

Equipment

- No person shall hunt using a shotgun of any kind capable of holding more than three shells in the magazine and chamber combined ; a rifle or shotgun loaded with a single bullet ; or any weapon other than a long bow and arrow or a shotgun not larger than number 10 gauge.
- No person shall have with him, for his own use, more than one shotgun, unless each shotgun in excess of one is unloaded and disassembled or unloaded and cased.
- No person shall shoot from any aircraft, sailboat, power boat, or motorized vehicle, or any vehicle to which a draught animal is attached.
- No person shall use a boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle to disturb birds with the object of driving them towards a hunter.
- No person shall use live birds as decoys, or recorded bird calls.

Time

- No person shall hunt at any time throughout the year except during the open season as described in the schedule.
- No person shall hunt during any day after he has taken his bag limit.
- No person shall hunt earlier than one hour before sunrise or later than one hour after sunset.

Place

- No person shall hunt within 400 metres of any area baited with grain or other food.

Retrieval

- It is permitted to retrieve a dead or injured migratory game bird by the use of a power boat.
- No person shall kill, cripple or wound a migratory game bird without making all reasonable efforts to retrieve it. The retrieved bird shall be killed immediately and included in the hunter's daily bag limit.

Possession and transport

- No person shall possess or transport a migratory game bird unless at least one wing and the plumage thereof remains attached to the bird. Such a wing and plumage may be removed
 - a. when the bird is prepared for immediate cooking, or,
 - b. after the bird is taken to the residence of the owner for preservation.

Eggs and nests

- No person shall take, injure, or destroy the eggs or nests of migratory birds at any time.

Uses

- No person shall buy or sell migratory birds.

Indians and Inuit

- Indians and Inuit may at any time, without a permit, outside any bird sanctuary, take auks, auklets, guillemots, murre, puffins, and scoters and their eggs, for human food or clothing. Birds and eggs so taken shall not be sold.

Territorial regulations

- Hunters of migratory game birds are advised to check territorial regulations for additional restrictions.

Open seasons – All dates inclusive

	Ducks, geese, rails, coots, and Wilson's Snipe
Throughout the Yukon Territory	Sept 1 to Oct 31 ^a

Bag and possession limits

	<i>Residents</i>			
	Ducks	Geese	Rails and coots	Wilson's Snipe
Daily bag	25	15	25	10
	<i>Non-Residents</i>			
	8	5 a.	25	10
Possession	16	10 a.	—	20

- a. Non-residents may not take more than 2 White-fronted Geese daily and may not possess more than 4.



Penalty

Every person who violates any provision of this act or any regulation shall, for each offence, be liable upon summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$300, and not less than \$10 , or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both fine and imprisonment.

No person who has been convicted of a hunting offense under this Act or any regulations shall apply for or hold a Canada migratory game bird hunting permit within one year from the date of his conviction.

Note

The above is a summary of the law. For complete information write

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